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Coordination Role of CIA
in EDAC - ACEP - EDIC Structures

1. The Economic Defense function of CIA resides at present in OER and embraces the EDAC-ACEP-EDIC structure, three separate but coordinated mechanisms under CSEP and NSC.

2. On the Economic Defense Advisory Committee (EDAC), which is primarily concerned with multilateral economic defense measures, the AD/ER represents CIA, Ch/D/S sits on its Executive Committee, and analysts of S/TD on the Working Groups and Panels. In recent months CIA has furnished and coordinated intelligence chiefly in connection with the review of U.S. policy on controls against Communist China and on individual exception cases to China and the rest of the Soviet Bloc.

3. The Advisory Committee on Export Controls (ACEP), is concerned with unilateral U.S. export controls and licensing policy. The AD/ER is the CIA member and Acting Ch/S/TD is the member of its Operating Committee. S/TD analysts represent the agency on technical task groups and furnish intelligence as required.

4. The Economic Defense Intelligence Committee (EDIC) reports to EDAC and the IAC. The Chairman is Chief D/S and the Executive Secretary is an S/TD analyst. Requests for intelligence reports are made generally to CIA and have resulted in several publications from OER in the last six months.

5. The role of CIA in these committee structures is to furnish spot intelligence, intelligence memo, coordinated reports, etc., and as the problem is carried from one level to another furnish additional intelligence as required. Dissemination of the intelligence material often goes as high as the NSC.

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